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Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. Form 4 February 08, 2010 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ALTER ROBERT A Issuer Symbol Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. [SHO] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify 903 CALLE AMANECER, SUITE 02/05/2010 below) below) 100Executive Chairman (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN CLEMENTE, CA 92673 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 02/05/2010 F 10,083 D (1) 174,792 D Stock Common 02/06/2010 F 7,769 D <u>(2)</u> 167,023 D Stock Common 02/07/2010 F D 3,265 D <u>(3)</u> 163,758 Stock By Robert Common A. Alter 40,954 Ι Stock Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Addr | ess | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|------------|---------------|--------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | | |
| ALTER ROBERT A 903 CALLE AMANECER SUITE 100 SAN CLEMENTE, CA 926 | X 973 | | Executive Chairman | | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | | | |
| /s/ Robert A. Alter | 02/08/2010 | | | | | | | | |
| **Signature of | Date | | | | | | | | |

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

On February 5, 2010, 31,418 restricted shares of common stock (awarded to the Reporting Person on February 5, 2009) vested, and
 (1) 10,083 shares of common stock were withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. The closing price on February 5, 2010 of common stock of Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. on the New York Stock Exchange was \$8.31 per share.

On February 6, 2010, 24,525 restricted shares of common stock (awarded to the Reporting Person on February 6, 2008) vested, and 7,769
(2) shares of common stock were withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. The closing price on February 5, 2010 (as February 6, 2010 fell on a weekend) of common stock of Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. on the New York Stock Exchange was \$8.31 per share.

(3) On February 7, 2010, 10,308 restricted shares of common stock (awarded to the Reporting Person on February 7, 2007) vested, and 3,265 shares of common stock were withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. The closing price on February 5, 2010 (as February 7, 2010)

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